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MEMORANDUM FOR

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6/26/2003

THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
✓ THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Agenda and Materials for OAG Working Group Meeting

REFERENCE: Memorandum of 3 August 1976, "Meeting of the  
OAG Working Group"

Attached you will find the proposed agenda for the Operations Advisory Group (OAG) Working Group (WG) meeting scheduled for 18 August 1976, and several papers for discussion at that meeting.


The Acting Chairman and Executive Secretary of the United States Evaluation Board (USEB), at our request, reviewed the National Security Council Directive drafted by the Intelligence Community (IC) Staff which was distributed with reference. They have developed a substitute version which is distributed herewith. Representatives of the IC Staff and the USEB are expected to be present for the discussion of this subject at the meeting (Item 2 on the agenda).

Papers for agenda items 3 through 6 were submitted by CIA for discussion at the WG meeting and are attached.

If you have not already done so, please let me know who will be your representative at the WG meeting.

cc: Attorney General w/atts  
Director, OMB w/atts

Attachments as listed

  
Rob Roy Ratliff  
Executive Secretary  
Operations Advisory Group  
Signer

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1. Draft NSCD on "Management of Foreign Perceptions of the Intentions and Capabilities of the United States."

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6. Proposed Agenda for 8/18/76 meeting.

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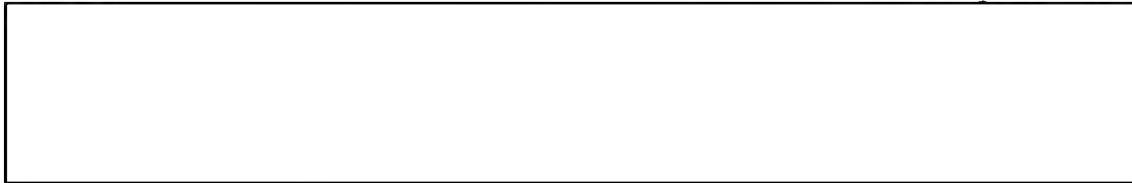
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AGENDA

Operations Advisory Group Working Group Meeting  
Wednesday, 18 August 1976, 10 a.m.  
White House Situation Room

1. Working Group Procedures



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To 3, 8, 13, and 20: The DDCI would like to meet with you on this at 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 11 August, to sort out representation and contributions.

Executive Secretary

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Remarks: The attached note from Ben Evans and memo from Rob Roy Ratliff are self-explanatory.

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Should you accept Ben's suggestion to convene a meeting regarding CIA's attitude towards, representation on, the OAG working group, you might also wish to consider using that meeting to determine our policy on [redacted] which, from the bulk of the documents attached, will apparently be the main topic of the first Working Group meeting. I know that [redacted] feels that there must be much greater coordination between agencies involved than currently exists. This seems like little more than common sense, considering the delicacy of this sort of operation. Yet the US Evaluation Board seems to have performed largely as a coordinating mechanism for the authorization of [redacted] (The chronology of USEB actions, attached, suggests that we have in the past pressed for great USEB control of participating major agency activities in the CI field.)

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDCI

Hank:

Before I fan this out per attached, which commits you to convene a meeting, will you please bless this approach. When our representation is fixed, I will phone same to Rob Roy.

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[Redacted Signature]

Ben Evans

Date 5 August 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
✓ THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Meeting of the OAG Working Group

The Chairman's Guidelines for the Operations Advisory Group (OAG) provide for a Working Group (WG). The inaugural meeting of the WG is scheduled for Wednesday, 18 August 1976, at 10:00 a.m. in the White House Situation Room.

The WG chairman, Mr. William G. Hyland, Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, intends to discuss procedural matters to establish how the WG will operate and what type subjects it will consider. In this connection, CIA has advised that it intends to raise a question about coordination of special activity proposals and of policy guidelines employed for propaganda and other operations. The usual practice has been for CIA to coordinate such items with the Department of State only, and the question now is whether the WG would be a more appropriate forum for this coordination.

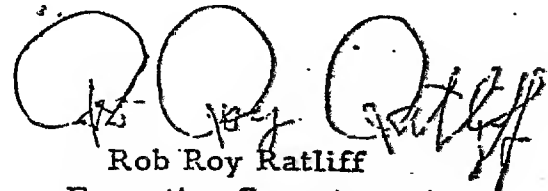
One agenda item for the 18 August meeting is a proposal to establish a [redacted] and, as an element of this broad topic, the role of the United States Evaluation Board. A package of materials on these subjects is attached and will form the basis for discussion at the WG meeting.

In accordance with Paragraph 3 of the OAG Guidelines, you are requested to designate a senior official to represent you on the WG, and you are invited to submit topics or papers to be considered at the WG meeting. The OAG Executive Secretary will serve the WG in a similar capacity,

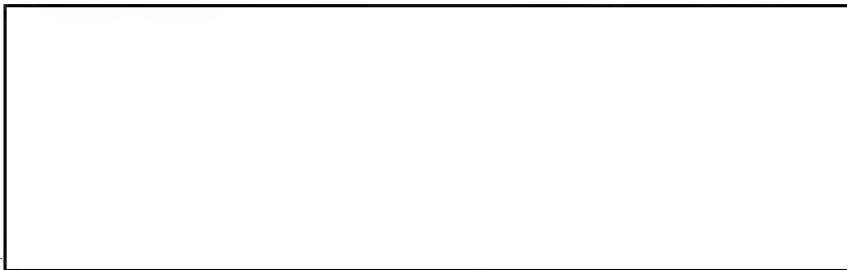
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and the names of your representatives and other WG communications  
should be sent to him. Papers to be distributed for WG consideration  
should be in the hands of the Executive Secretary at least 48 hours in  
advance of a scheduled meeting. A formal agenda will be distributed  
prior to 18 August.

  
Rob Roy Ratliff  
Executive Secretary  
Operations Advisory Group

Attachments:



3. Board Membership, 20 July 1976,  
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cc: The Attorney General w/atts  
The Director, Office of  
Management and Budget w/atts